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Amendment No. 3 to SB3107

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by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section immediately before the last two (2) sections of the bill, as amended, and by renumbering the last two (2) sections accordingly:

SECTION ____ Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 37, is amended by adding the following as new Part 2:

4-37-201(a)(1). The department of human services is authorized to work with local communities, industry and other entities to develop the preliminary parameters of a program of public/private partnerships to enhance funding of child care. In such efforts, the department shall involve entities such as the Tennessee Child Care Facilities and Programs Corporation that was established pursuant to title 4, chapter 37, part 1, the appropriate local Families First Councils and the Work Force Development Council.

(2) In exploring such partnerships, the department shall examine the feasibility of securing federal and state funding as an incentive for developing matching local funds derived from local governments, employers, charitable institutions or foundations and other sources, so that communities may seek local, flexible partnerships with employers for the creation and enhancement of child care.

(b)(1) Only to the extent of any current funding not otherwise obligated by law, the department may also establish preliminary public/private partnerships through a program based upon the principles in subsection (a). In any preliminary program created pursuant to this subsection, any matching funds shall be used with the input and direction of local communities to meet the needs of working parents and to create, expand or upgrade on-site child care facilities; to contract or partner with child care

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agencies that provide such types of child care as sick-care, after-hours care for children and any other forms of child care that becomes necessary to meet the needs of children, parents, and employers; and to use such funds as incentives or for studies that may be necessary to aid in the development of any child care for the particular community.

(2) Any funds used pursuant to this subsection shall supplement or extend the use of existing public or private funding and shall not be used to supplant the maintenance of effort being exerted currently by the employer or other contributor.

(3) Any funds utilized pursuant to this subsection shall be for child care provided in a facility licensed, approved or certified by a state child care licensing, certification or approval entity under titles 37, 49, or 71, or in any other facility or program approved for the care of children by the department of human services.

(c) The department shall report, no later than January 15, 2001, to the House Children and Family Affairs Committee; the Human Resources Subcommittee of the House Health and Human Resources Committee; the Senate General Welfare, Health and Human Resources Committee; and the Select Committee on Children and Youth regarding its activities under this act, including but not limited to any preliminary partnerships initiated, the use of any current funds, and recommendations for legislation to establish an ongoing program to address the needs identified.

(d) The department is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations, which may include public necessity rules, pursuant to title 4, chapter 5, to implement the provisions of subsection (b). Such rules may include criteria for grants and use of

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